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## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

- (currently amended) A method for placing a radio communication device
  having a display that includes a first backlight and a red backlight in a
  surveillance mode, comprising the steps of:
  - determining if the surveillance mode has been selected, wherein the surveillance mode is selected based on a user's desire to minimize the user's chances of being detected; and switching the display so that it uses the red backlight instead of the first backlight if the surveillance mode has been selected.
- 2. (original) A method as defined in claim 1, wherein the radio communication device has a speaker that can be adjusted to different volume levels and the method further comprises the step of:

automatically adjusting the volume level of the speaker to a predetermined level if the surveillance mode has been selected.

- 3. (original) A method as defined in claim 2, wherein the surveillance mode is selected by activating a key located on the radio communication device.
- (original) A method as defined in claim 2, wherein the speaker is automatically muted if the surveillance mode is selected.

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5. (original) A method as defined in claim 2, wherein if the surveillance mode

has been selected any alerts for incoming calls or messages are provided by

a red light.

6. (original) A method as defined in claim 2, wherein if the surveillance mode

has been selected any alerts for incoming calls or messages are provided by

an icon displayed on the display.

7. (original) A method as defined in claim 4, wherein all audible alerts previously

provided for incoming calls or messages are muted if the surveillance mode

has been selected.

8. (original) A method as defined in claim 1, wherein the radio communication

device comprises a two-way radio communication device.

(original) A method as defined in claim 1, wherein the radio communication

device comprises a cellular telephone.

10. (original) A method as defined in claim 3, wherein once in the surveillance

mode, activating the key again causes the radio communication device to

automatically switch the display so that the first backlight is used and the

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volume level of the speaker is returned to the same level it was set at prior to the surveillance mode being entered.

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- 11. (canceled)
- 12. (canceled)
- 13. (canceled)
- 14. (canceled)
- 15. (canceled)
- 16. (canceled)

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17. (currently amended) A method for placing a radio communication device in a surveillance mode, comprising the steps of:

determining if the surveillance mode has been selected, wherein the surveillance mode is selected based on a user's desire to minimize the user's chances of being detected; and

adjusting the audio level and one or more light emitting sources found on the radio communication device to predetermined states of operation if the surveillance mode has been selected.

- 18. (original) A method as defined in claim 17, wherein the surveillance mode is selected by activating a surveillance mode key found in the radio communication device.
- 19. (original) A method as defined in claim 17, wherein one of the light emitting sources on the radio communication device includes a display having a backlight and when the surveillance mode is selected, the display is backlit with a red light.
- 20. (original) A method as defined in claim 19, wherein the red light found on the display can be adjusted to different light intensity levels and when the surveillance mode is selected, the red light is adjusted to a low light intensity level.

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- 21. (original) A method as defined in claim 17, wherein one of the one or more light emitting sources comprises a backlight on a display located on the radio communication device and when the surveillance mode is selected, the backlight is turned off.
- 22. (original) A method as defined in claim 17, wherein the one or more light emitting sources are disabled when the surveillance mode is selected.